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ABBREVIATIONS USED

ac-ft	acre-feet
ALERT	Automated Local Evaluation in Real Time (a hydrologic system consisting of automatic telemetry precipitation and stream gauges that report to a local community computer which is programmed to process data from these gauges in real time and make hydrologic forecasts)
cfs	cubic feet per second
LACDA	Los Angeles County Drainage Area (the drainage area, or watershed, of Los Angeles and San Gabriel River and their tributaries)
mph	miles per hour
NGVD	National Geodetic Vertical Datum
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration